

COMMUNITY RESPONSE IN SUSTAINABLE HIV FINANCING OF FOUR COUNTRIES IN SOUTH EAST ASIA

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Background/Approach: As the HIV response in Asia transitions from external donor support to domestic financing, civil society organisations (CSOs) and key population (KP) networks face the critical issue of sustainability. The SHIFT (Sustainable HIV Financing in Transition) program is a two-year program designed to support advocacy, capacity building and use of strategic information of CSOs and KPs in facilitating meaningful engagement related to sustainable financing and transitions towards domestic funding in Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines and Thailand.

Analysis/Argument: By end of 2018, the program will aim to showcase the CSOs in the four transition countries' effective advocacy for allocative efficiency, increased domestic spending on HIV, and increased fiscal space for CSO HIV programs. The program will also measure CSO's strengthened technical expertise and increased access to and use of strategic information HIV financing issues.

Outcome/Results: SHIFT conducted several rounds of consultations with its partners from the four countries, and consulted internal and external evaluation experts on the program monitoring and evaluation. A baseline evaluation is being developed to identify a set of indicators measuring output, outcome and impact of the program. Examples of outcome indicators include 1) existence of a domestic mechanism to fund CSO involved in the national HIV response at national/local level, and 2) number of CSOs that participate in the development, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the transition plan.

Conclusions/Applications: SHIFT aims to demonstrate learning to other countries and donors of CSO and KP network's capacity to engage and advocate in HIV funding processes.

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